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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 14-May-04

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, M	ULTI-DROP,	IMMEDIATE DEL:	IVERY
	Actual Slaughter	Live Weight	Price Range	Weighted	Price # of B	oxes
05/10	2,207	5.68	73-92	81.62	8,627	
05/11	2,217	5.54	73-92	81.49	6,238	
05/12	2,196	5.52	78-93	83.16	5,898	
05/13	2,152	5.46	78-91	82.81	6,087	
05/14	2,098	5.40	78-92	85.06	6,833	
Weekly	10,871	5.52	Cumulative:	82.78	33,683	

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 17-May-04

Weighted Averages for:	Current Week	Last Week	Year Ago
New York	82.25	78.10	55.13
Chicago	78.80	75.71	52.52
Detroit	80.33	77.00	51.93
Los Angeles	81.33	80.65	67.85
12-City Composite	80.50	78.12	59.86

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 14-May-04

Weekly	Weighted Average Price	Total Volume/Pounds
Breast - B/S	231.59	2,908,186
Tenderloins	228.82	516,420
Breast - With Ribs	130.88	689,140
Breast - Line Run	127.32	570,080
Legs	47.58	1,384,393
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	36.25	1,758,717
Drumsticks	44.08	731,913
Thighs	50.18	471,519
B/S Thighs	112.66	403,810
Wings (Whole)	110.32	739,590
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(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg)

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 08-May-04

	Current	Last		10-Weeks	7-Weeks
	Week	Week	Year Ago	Prior	Prior
Eggs Set	212,557	212,631	206,679	210,313	$2\overline{10,14}4$
Chicks Placed	174,628	174,978	171,830	168,319	171.783

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 08-MAY-04

		<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head	(000)	157,101	157,894	155,157
Average Live	Weight	5.33	5.30	5.20
To Date 2004	(000)	2,768,092	2,610,991	
To Date 2003	(000)	2,726,482	2,570,895	

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on March 31,2004 were 10% higher than the previous month, but were 7% lower than a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 10% from the previous month, but down 7% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 9% from last month, but down 6% from March 31,2003.

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